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FOR AMBASSADORS EILTS AND LEWIS FROM ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: - SECRETARY'S ATTENDANCE AT JERUSALEM POLITICAL DEPARTURE

1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT POLITICAL COMMITTEE IS NOW SCHEDULED TO CONVENE FOR FIRST SESSION MONDAY, JANUARY 16 AT 10:00 A.M. SECRETARY WISHES TO MAKE MOST OF HIS TIME AT POLITICAL COMMITTEE SESSIONS AND WANTS YOU TO EXPRESS HIS HOPE AS PERSUASIVELY AND FIRMLY AS YOU CAN THAT COMMITTEE WILL CONVENE IMMEDIATELY IN CLOSED SESS;ON (AFTER PHOTOGRAPHS IF DESIRED) AND FOREGO OPENING STATE-MENTS. PLEASE EXPLAIN HIS VIEW THAT THESE ARE MEETINGS OF A WORKING COMMITTEE, THAT PUPLIC STATEMENTS RISK COM-PLICATING RATHER THAN EASING JOB AT HAND, AND THAT OPENING PUBLIC SPEECHES WOULD CONSUME PRECIOUS TIME AND
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DIVERT EFFORT FROM NECESSARY SUBSTANTIVE WORK. WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR CONVEYING THIS TO YOUR HOSTS, COMMUNICATING THEIR VIEWS DIRECTLY BETWEEN YOURSELVES, AND TRYING TO P;N DOWN EXACT ARRANGEMENTS FOR MONDAY SESSION AS ABOVE.

2. FOR LEWIS: SECRETARY HAS AGREED TO SEE BEGIN AND DAYAN SUNDAY EVENING AFTER ARRIVAL. PLEASE ARRANGE.

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3. FOR EILTS: SECRETARY PREPARED TO SEE KAMEL MONDAY MORNING BEFORE OPENING SESSION. YOU MAY OFFER THIS TO KAMEL, SUGGESTING MEETING AT 0915.

4. RE TEL AVIV 0261, SECRETARY IS WILLING TO STAY AT KING DAVID IF THAT IS ISRAELI PREFERENCE. HOWEVER, IN THAT CASE IT WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO HAVE AVAILABLE AT HILTON THROUGHOUT SECRETARY'S STAY SUITE FOR HIS USE DURING DAY AND EVENING AND NEARBY OFFICE SPACE FOR MEMBERS OF PARTY. ATHERTON AND COLLEAGUES WILL MOVE TO HILTON FOLLOWING SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT SECRETARY BE ABLE TO MOVE EASILY AND INFORMALLY BETWEEN DELEGATIONS WITHOUT CROSS-TOWN MOTORCADE WHICH WASTES TIME AND ATTRACTS ATTENTION.

5. IN ADDITION TO SECRETARY VANCE, THE FOLLOWING WILL BE THE MEMBERS OF HIS PARTY FOR THE JERUSALEM POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS: ALFRED L. ATHERTON, JR., HAROLD SAUNDERS, HODDING CARTER III, WILLIAM QUANDT, MICHAEL STERNER, WILLIAM BRUBECK, DAVID A. KORN AND GEORGE SHERMAN.

6. AFTER SECRETARY'S DEPARTURE, THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE WASHINGTON PARTY WILL REMAIN FOR THE ONGOING ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMITTEE: ATHERTON, STERNER, KORN, CONFIDENTIAL

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SHERMAN AND KAMER (WHO WILL TRAVEL TO JERUSALEM ON SECRETARY'S AIRCRAFT).

7. SEPTEL WILL PROVIDE LIST OF STAFF MEMBERS ACCOMPANYING SECRETARY. VANCE

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